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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Application No.:	10/572,576	Examiner:	Wilson, Lee D.
Filing Date:	March 17, 2006	Art Unit:	3723
First Inventor:	Keitaro Yonezawa	Customer No.:	23364
Attorney No.:	YONE3023/JJC/PMB	Confirm. No.:	2852
For:	POSITIONING APPARATUS AND CLAMPING SYSTEM HAVING THE SAME		

**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 TO OFFICE ACTION
OF DECEMBER 23, 2008**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is responsive to the Office Action dated December 23, 2008 in the above application wherein claims 1-14 are finally rejected.

In view of the following remarks, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.